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In re Application of: Knudsen et al.

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For: Extending Derivatives (As Amended)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before the above-captioned application is taken up for examination, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, please delete the title and insert -- Extending Derivatives--.

At page 1, replace the paragraph entitled "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" with the following paragraph:

This application is a continuation of USSN 09/312,177 filed 14 May 1999, <sup>now abandoned,</sup> which is a continuation of PCT/DK99/00086 filed February 24, 1999 and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 of Danish application 0274/98 filed February 27, 1998, and U.S. provisional application 60/084,357 filed May 5, 1998, the contents of which are fully incorporated herein by reference.—